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Office Action Summary

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Examiner

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 4/20/06.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are pending in the application.
4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-5, 9-15 and 19-22 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 6-8 and 16-18 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

SET I

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

1. Claims 1, 11, 19-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by

Babbar (US 2004/0116140).

As to claim 1, Babbar teaches a method for operating a telematics unit within a mobile vehicle communication system (paragraph 017, 134, 138, 140), the method comprising:

- assigning a primary telematics unit identifier to a user account;
- assigning the primary telematics unit identifier to a mobile handset;
- associating the mobile handset with any one of a plurality of telematics units operating within the mobile vehicle communication system; and
- operating the associated telematics unit.

As to claim 11, the claim is a computer software of claim 1; therefore, the claim is interpreted and rejected as set forth as claim 1.

As to claim 19, the claim is a system of claim 1; therefore, the claim is interpreted and rejected as set forth as claim 1.

As to claim 20, Babbar teaches the method of claim 1, wherein the primary telematics unit identifier is an identifier associated with a telematics unit in a primary vehicle.

As to claim 21, the claim is a computer software of claim 20; therefore, the claim is interpreted and rejected as set forth as claim 20.

As to claim 22, the claim is a system of claim 20; therefore, the claim is interpreted and rejected as set forth as claim 20.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.

2. Claims 2-5, 9, 10, 12-15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Babbar in view of Simonds (US 2004/0092253).

As to claim 2, Babbar teaches the method of claim 1, wherein the step of associating the mobile handset with any one of a plurality of telematics units operating within the mobile vehicle communication system comprises coupling the mobile handset to the telematics unit.

Babbar fails to teach communicating the assigned telematics unit identifier of the mobile handset to a service provider and downloading user preferences from the

service provider, the user preferences based on the user account associated with the communicated telematics unit identifier. Simonds teaches communicating the assigned telematics unit identifier of the mobile handset to a service provider and downloading user preferences from the service provider, the user preferences based on the user account associated with the communicated telematics unit identifier (figure 10, 11). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to provide the teaching of Simonds into the system of Babbar in order to enable information relating to various points of interest along a route being traveled by the user.

As to claim 3, the combination of Babbar and Simonds teaches the method of claim 2, further comprising implementing the downloaded user preferences (figure 10, 11).

As to claim 4, the combination of Babbar and Simonds teaches the method of claim 2, wherein the step of downloading user preferences based on the user account comprises:

determining the user preferences at the service provider and receiving the user preferences from the service provider.

As to claims 5, 9, 10, the combination of Babbar and Simonds teaches the method of claim 2, the combination of Babbar and Simonds teaches the user preferences are based on a mobile vehicle type, the user account is a subscription service, the telematics unit identifier is a mobile identification number. However, the examiner takes Official Notice that the recited limitations are known in the art.

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Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to provide the teaching of the recited limitations into the system of Babbar in order to enhance the system performance of the communication device of a motor and method for setting up a call diversion.

As to claim 12, the claim is a computer software of claim 2; therefore, the claim is interpreted and rejected as set forth as claim 2.

As to claim 13, the claim is a computer software of claim 3; therefore, the claim is interpreted and rejected as set forth as claim 3.

As to claim 14, the claim is a computer software of claim 4; therefore, the claim is interpreted and rejected as set forth as claim 4.

As to claim 15, the claim is a computer software of claim 5; therefore, the claim is interpreted and rejected as set forth as claim 5.

SET II

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

3. Claims 1 , 11, 19-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by

Knobl (US 7,039,708).

As to claim 1, Knobl teaches a method for operating a telematics unit within a mobile vehicle communication system (col.6, lines 29-col.7, line 40), the method comprising:

- assigning a primary telematics unit identifier to a user account;
- assigning the primary telematics unit identifier to a mobile handset;
- associating the mobile handset with any one of a plurality of telematics units operating within the mobile vehicle communication system; and
- operating the associated telematics unit.

As to claim 11, the claim is a computer software of claim 1; therefore, the claim is interpreted and rejected as set forth as claim 1.

As to claim 19, the claim is a system of claim 1; therefore, the claim is interpreted and rejected as set forth as claim 1.

As to claim 20, Babbar teaches the method of claim 1, wherein the primary telematics unit identifier is an identifier associated with a telematics unit in a primary vehicle.

As to claim 21, the claim is a computer software of claim 20; therefore, the claim is interpreted and rejected as set forth as claim 20.

As to claim 22, the claim is a system of claim 20; therefore, the claim is interpreted and rejected as set forth as claim 20.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 6-8, 16-18 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

As to claims 6 and 16, the teaching of above prior arts either alone or in combination fails to teach the step of associating the mobile handset with any one of a plurality of telematics units operating within the mobile vehicle communication system comprises coupling the mobile handset to the telematics unit, determining if the telematics unit coupled to the mobile handset is a primary telematics unit, the primary telematics unit including the primary telematics unit identifier, determining if the telematics unit coupled to the mobile handset is a secondary telematics unit, the secondary telematics unit not including the primary telematics unit identifier and routing calls to the determined telematics unit.

Dependent claims 7, 8, 17, 18 are objectable for the same reason.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to DANH C. LE whose telephone number is 571-272-7868. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00AM-5:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, WILLIAM TROST can be reached on 571-272-7872. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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July 19, 2004

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